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PARSIFAL.

A century's mocking malisons make cold
The night where restless wraiths are moving by
Dancing their death dance 'neath a starless sky;
Where Greed and Lust in whirling maze enfold
Their golden idols; Pleasure beckons bold
And laughs a loud laugh ending in a sigh,
While Art, oppressed and torn, has ceased to cry,
Half buried 'neath the burden of their gold.

But hark! a song is speeding through the night,
Of holy balm that heals a wasting wound.
A heavenly cadenced chord reverberates
And Man redeemed and pure stands visioned bright.
Oh Mastersong! Art hears, that bleeding swooned,
And Eastward turns her wistful eyes — and waits.

AGNES LEE.